

Notice of Allowability	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	10/665,478	KOJIMA ET AL.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
	Minh H. Chau	2854	

-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to the Amendment filed on 21 April 2005.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-14.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 22 September 2003 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* Certified copies not received: _____.

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5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).**
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) |
| 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | 6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date <u>5/12/05</u> . |
| 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date _____ | 7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Amendment/Comment |
| 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material | 8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance |
| | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |


MINH CHAU
PRIMARY EXAMINER

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Susan Pan on May 12, 2005.

2. The application has been amended as follows:

Claim 1: Line 7, after "**correction value**", the term -- **C1** -- has been inserted.

Claim 5: Line 1, after "**wherein**", the term "**said**" has been replaced with -- **a** --.

Line 5, after "**caused by**", the term "**said**" has been deleted.

Claim 6: Line 1, after "**wherein**", the term "**said**" has been replaced with -- **a** --.

Claim 7: Line 3, after "**correction value**", the term -- **C1** -- has been inserted.

Line 5, after "**correction value**", the term -- **C1** -- has been inserted.

Claim 8: Line 9, the phrase "**corrected value**" has been replaced with

-- **correction value C1** --.

Claim 14: Line 2, after "**correction value**", the term -- **C1** -- has been inserted.

Line 3, after "**correction value**", the term -- **C1** -- has been inserted.

The above changes do not change the scope of the claims, it only serve the purpose of correcting minor problem regarding antecedent basis language.

REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Claims 1-7 have been indicated for allowance because the prior art fails to teach the entire combination of a feeding control method used for recording images by feeding a recording material in a first direction relative to a recording head including the steps of determining a correction value in the relative feeding on a random basis within a predetermined range and feeding the recording material in the first direction relative to the recording head with a corrected feeding amount, which is obtained by adding the correction value to a predetermined basic value.

Claims 8-14 have been indicated for allowance because the prior art fails to teach the entire combination of a printer for recording an image on a recording material including a controller for carrying out the relative feeding for a corrected feeding amount obtained by adding a corrected value, which is determined on a random basis within a predetermined range, to a predetermined basic value.

4. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Minh H. Chau whose telephone number is (571) 272-2156. The examiner can normally be reached on M - TH 9:30AM - 8:00PM.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Andrew H. Hirshfeld can be reached on (571) 272-2168. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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May 12, 2005


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